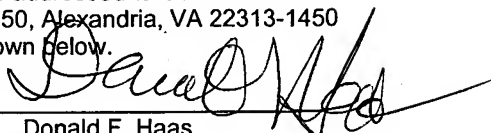




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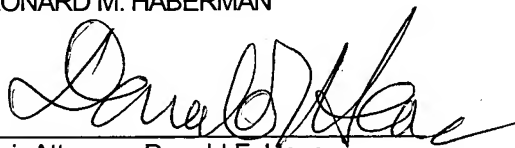
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action of May 2, 2006, the Examiner required restriction between Group I, claims 1-62, and Group II, claims 53-70, drawn to a method of processing laundry. The Applicants hereby elect Group II, claims 53-70. Claims 1-52 were canceled in the Preliminary Amendment which was filed with the original application (see the top of page 8).

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